

**The G. H. Moody Middle School PTA proudly presents**

## **Alex Slusher**

**Speaking on her personal experience with depression and teen suicide**

**Tuesday, May 25, 2010 at 7:00 pm**

**G. H. Moody Middle School Auditorium  
7800 Woodman Road**

Alex Slusher is the mother of Stuart Slusher. Stuart was a junior at Douglas Freeman High School who committed suicide in May 2009. Depression and Teen Suicide are sensitive topics which involve a complex problem with no simple solution. Alex has done a lot of research and offers parents a chance to be educated and well informed while encouraging communication with their children and to get help, if necessary. In addition, Alex founded The Stuart H. Slusher Memorial Scholarship Fund.

### **The Stuart H. Slusher Memorial Scholarship Fund**

The Mission of the Memorial Fund is to

- Educate students, faculty and parents on teenage suicide prevention
- Create community awareness of the magnitude of teenage suicide
- Create a financially self-sustaining program supplementing public funds

### **The Pepsi Refresh Project**

Alex, with the help of friends and supporters, has applied for a grant from Pepsi. Pepsi is giving away millions to fund great ideas. The Hold Hope Initiative is up for national vote. This grant would award Henrico County \$50,000 to implement K-12 suicide intervention training for all Henrico County schools and for suicide prevention training for faculty and staff at each Henrico County school.

The grant will be awarded to the program with the most votes during the month of May, so vote TODAY and EVERY DAY this month at <http://www.refresheverything.com/holdhope>. Please register your email address the first time you vote and then sign in with your email and password each day. You are permitted to vote once a day.

**PLEASE VOTE EVERY DAY**